

The screenshot shows the NCBI Taxonomy Browser interface. At the top, there are links for Entrez, PubMed, Nucleotide, Protein, Genome, Structure, PMC, Taxonomy, and Books. Below these are search fields: 'Search for' with dropdown options 'complete name', 'lock', 'Go', and 'Clear'. A 'Display' button is set to '3 levels using filter: none'. The main title is 'Corynebacterium glutamicum'.

*Taxonomy ID:* 1718

*Rank:* species

*Genetic code:* Translation table 11

*Other names:*

synonym: **Micrococcus glutamicus**

synonym: **Corynebacterium lilium**

synonym: **Brevibacterium divaricatum**

synonym: **Micrococcus maripuniceus**

synonym: **Brevibacterium thiogenitalis**

synonym: **Brevibacterium taipei**

synonym: **Brevibacterium seonmiso**

synonym: **Brevibacterium saccharolyticum**

synonym: **Brevibacterium glutamigenes**

synonym: **Brevibacterium chang-fua**

synonym: **'Brevibacterium lactofermentum'**

synonym: **'Corynebacterium lactofermentum'**

synonym: **Brevibacterium lactofermentum**

synonym: **Corynebacterium lactofermentum**

synonym: **Corynebacterium lilium Lee and Good 1963  
(Approved Lists 1980)**

synonym: **Brevibacterium divaricatum Su and Yamada 1960 (Approved Lists 1980)**

synonym: **"Micrococcus glutamicus" Kinoshita et al. 1958**

synonym: **Corynebacterium glutamicum (Kinoshita et al. 1958) Abe et al. 1967**

synonym: **Microbacterium sp. ATCC 15283**

includes: **Brevibacterium sp. ATCC 19165**

includes: **Arthrobacter sp. NCIB 9666**

#### Lineage(full)

cellular organisms; Bacteria; Actinobacteria;

Actinobacteria (class); Actinobacteridae;

Actinomycetales; Corynebacterineae;

Corynebacteriaceae; Corynebacterium

Entrez records		
Database name	Subtree links	Direct links
Nucleotide	6,968	6,950
Protein	9,971	3,872
Structure	4	4
Genome	13	12
Popset	1	1
3D Domains	21	21
PubMed Central	396	396
Gene	3,081	88
Taxonomy	2	1

**Comments and References:**

'*Corynebacterium lactofermentum*' = *Corynebacterium glutamicum*

Amador et al. (1999) propose the transfer of "*Brevibacterium lactofermentum*" to "*Corynebacterium lactofermentum*" on the basis of studies involving "*B. lactofermentum*" strains ATCC 13869 and DSM 20412. However, the ATCC catalogue of strains lists ATCC 13869 as *C. glutamicum*. Moreover, Liebl et al. (1991) have previously transferred "*B. lactofermentum*" strains DSM 20412 and DSM 1412 to *C. glutamicum*.

Abe S et al. (1967)

Abe, S., Takayama, K., and Kinoshita, S. "Taxonomical studies on glutamic acid-producing bacteria." *J. Gen. Appl. Microbiol.* (1967) 13:279-301. [No PubMed record available.]



Amador E et al. (1999)

Amador, E., Castro, J.M., Correia, A., and Martin, J.F. "Structure and organization of the rrnD operon of '*Brevibacterium lactofermentumMicrobiology* (1999) 145:915-924.

*Brevibacterium flavum* & *lactofermentum*

"The Prokaryotes" (2nd edition) p. 1158 discusses the nomenclatural status of *Brevibacterium flavum* and *Brevibacterium lactofermentum*: "Their systematic classification has not been clarified but numerous data exist [citations listed below] indicating their close relatedness, if not identity, with *Corynebacterium glutamicum*: *C. lilium*, *Brevibacterium flavum*, *B. lactofermentum*, and *B. divaricatum*. Of the nomenclatural species *B. flavum*, *B. lactofermentum*, *B. divaricatum*, only *B. divaricatum* is included in the Approved Lists of Bacterial Names (Skerman et al., 1980), and none is a true member of the genus *Brevibacterium*. Therefore, data obtained with these species will be included with the discussion of the properties of *Corynebacterium glutamicum*." Abe et al. (1967) *J. Gen. Appl. Microbiol.* 13:279-301. Suzuki et al. (1981) *Int. J. Syst. Bacteriol.* 31:131-138. Minnikin et al. (1978) in "Coryneform bacteria" Academic Press, London.

Fukuda H (1971) (*Brevibacterium thiogenitalis*)

Fukuda H. "Method for producing L-glutamic acid." U.S. Pat. 3,623,951 dated Nov. 30, 1971.



Liebl W et al. (1991)

Liebl, W., Ehrmann, M., Ludwig, W., Schleifer, K.H. "Transfer of *Brevibacterium divaricatum* DSM 20297T, "*Brevibacterium flavum*" DSM 20411, "*Brevibacterium lactofermentum*" DSM 20412 and DSM 1412, and *Corynebacterium glutamicum* and their distinction by rRNA gene restriction patterns." *Int. J. Syst. Bacteriol.* (1991) 41:255-260.

Oberreuter H et al. (unpublished\_2001)

Oberreuter, H., Charzinski, J., and Scherer, S. "Infraspecific diversity of *Brevibacterium linens*, *Corynebacterium glutamicum* and *Rhodococcus erythropolis* as assessed by comparative partial 16S rDNA sequence analysis and Fourier-transform infrared (FT-IR) spectroscopy." Unpublished (as of 23 February 2001)

Okumura S et al. (1962) (*Brevibacterium saccharolyticum*)

Okumura, S. et al. "Studies on the L-glutamic acid fermentation. Part I. The new bacteria of the genus *Brevibacterium* isolated from the nature to produce L-glutamic acid." *J. Agric. Chem. Soc. Jpn.* (1962) 36:141-159. [No PubMed record available.]

Skerman VBD et al. (1980) (*Corynebacterium glutamicum*)

Skerman, V.B.D., McGowan, V., and Sneath, P.H.A. (editors): "Approved lists of bacterial names." *Int. J. Syst. Bacteriol.* (1980) 30:225-420. [No PubMed record available.]

Su Y & Yamada K (1960)

Su, Y., and Yamada, K.: *Bull. Agric. Chem. Soc. Japan* (1960) 24:69-74. [No PubMed record available.]

Zobell CE & Upham HC (1944) (*Micrococcus maripuniceus*)

Zobell, C.E., and Upham, H.C. "A list of marine bacteria including descriptions of sixty new species." *Bull. Scripps Inst. Oceanogr.* (1944) 5: 239-292. [No PubMed record available.]

### External Information Resources (NCBI LinkOut)

LinkOut	Subject	LinkOut Provider
bnu	taxonomy/phylogenetic	Bacterial Nomenclature Up-to-date
R-plasmid pAG1	DNA/protein sequence	NCBI Plasmid Genomes
native 4.45 kb plasmid	DNA/protein sequence	
plasmid pAG3	DNA/protein sequence	
plasmid pAM330	DNA/protein sequence	
plasmid pCG2	DNA/protein sequence	
plasmid pGA2	DNA/protein sequence	
plasmid pTET3	DNA/protein sequence	
plasmid pXZ10142	DNA/protein sequence	
plasmid pXZ10145.1	DNA/protein sequence	

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